



UNIVERSAL INSTALLS INSTRUMAR'S ATTALUS FIBER SYSTEM

St. John's, Newfoundland - October 2005 - Universal Fibers System LLC has installed INSTRUMAR's Attalus™ Fiber System at its Bristol, Virginia facility. INSTRUMAR offers full turnkey services with its Attalus fiber monitoring System. The System's unique electromagnetic sensor technology allows for the real-time detection of fiber quality issues such as bulk, node count, and spin finish.

"The Attalus System provides us with a better way of doing business," says Larry Rushing, Manufacturing Manager, Universal Fiber Systems. "We now can see and fix things with our production in real time, which allows us to be more efficient. As well, the Attalus System's software and labeling system allows us to store information and provide 100% traceability on every package produced. This is extremely important to our manufacturing process and to our customers."

The Attalus System at Universal is integrated with label printers. The System prints out a label for each package produced with information such as date, time, lot/merge, and the package's quality grade. If a downgraded package is produced, the operator has the opportunity to identify and segregate the package, and fix process issues in real time.

James Heslep, President of the Attalus Fiber Division, says "We are excited and very pleased to be working with Universal. They are very forward thinking about how to use technology to improve their quality and processes. The old method of post manufacturing testing of a very small amount of fiber, pales when compared to real-time data."

The Universal installation is part of a rapidly growing number of Attalus System installations in carpet facilities in the United States and Europe. On-line monitoring is fast becoming a best practice that is being embraced by the fiber manufacturing industry.

About INSTRUMAR: INSTRUMAR's Attalus System supplies never before seen, real-time, on-line product and process information used to maximize the manufacturer's competitive advantage through improved quality, yield, efficiency and customer satisfaction. INSTRUMAR is a privately held company headquartered in St. John's, Newfoundland, Canada.

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